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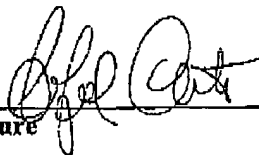
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REPLY TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

In reply to the Restriction Requirement dated March 31, 2004,  
the following remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with  
the above-identified application.

This reply includes: Election and Remarks.

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ELECTION AND REMARKS

Claims 1-22 are pending in the present application.

The Examiner has required election in the present application between:

Group 1, claims 1-10, 21 and 22, drawn to a threaded insert;

Group 2, claims 11-20, drawn to a method of moving a steel plate.

For the purpose of examination of the present application, Applicant elects, with traverse, Group 1, claims 1-10, 21 and 22, drawn to a threaded insert.

Since the method claims specifically claim a method for moving a steel plate utilizing the threaded insert, no election should be required.

Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Sanford Astor (Reg. No. 20748) at the telephone number of the undersigned below, to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any

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overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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